

Office of the Governor
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- Is there real evidence that North Carolina needs another pipeline? Some studies suggest that many pipelines currently are running at less than 50% of capacity.
- What would Duke Energy do if ACP isn't built? Would it cost ratepayers more or less?
- How much would the pipeline cost to construct and how much will be passed along to ratepayers in North Carolina?
- What profit does Duke Energy realize from the construction of the pipeline? How do you calculate whether that makes economic sense?
- ACP will sell natural gas to Piedmont Natural Gas and Public Service Company of North Carolina. And there is a tariff that Duke will pay ACP for the gas, in effect, paying itself? How is that calculated? Will Piedmont Natural Gas ask the NCUC for fuel costs that are actual cost, or will it be above actual cost?
- If Duke and Dominion have this natural gas pipeline, and are paying for it over many years, what incentive is there for the utilities to produce energy from renewable sources?
- If we were recruiting a manufacturing facility to locate to a part of eastern North Carolina that didn't have natural gas lines, the prospective manufacturer would have to pay for the extension, right? How realistic is that? In other words, how large would the manufacturer have to be in order for it to make sense to pay the cost of extending natural gas lines?
- How can we prepare the ground for future development with the extension of gas lines? How can we be sure that there really is economic development instead of a mirage of economic development that isn't realistic?
- What measures will be in place to prevent and detect methane leaks?
- What is the likelihood that ACP will be extended to a port in South Carolina or Georgia to transport gas for export as liquified natural gas?